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The Honorable Richard A. Reed serves as the Special Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Senior Director for Continuity Policy. In this position, he oversees the Continuity Directorate of the Homeland Security Council at the White House. Richard is responsible for the implementation of National Security Presidential Directive (NSPD) -51/Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) -20: National Continuity Policy, throughout the Executive Branch.

Richard received his bachelor's degree in psychology from Purdue University and both his bachelor's and master's degrees in Social Work from Indiana University. Prior to his Appointment at the White House, Richard served as the first Chief Emergency Response and Recovery Officer at the General Services Administration. His commitment to public service also includes multiple posts at both FEMA and the Department of Veterans Affairs.